

LMC Teachers Asking Arbitration Offer To End Strike

The Lake Michigan college faculty bargaining team today proposed binding arbitration to end the deadlocked contract negotiations with the board of trustees.

Edward Shaffer, bargaining team chairman, indicated the teachers would end their strike immediately if the trustees agreed. He suggested finding "a community minded individual or group" to serve as arbitrators.

The faculty proposal followed a move late last week by the board of trustees, hinting broadly that it might issue an order to the teachers to return to their classrooms.

A letter sent to teachers over the weekend suggested that teachers who fail to return if such an order is issued "will not be reinstated by the college." The trustees' letter termed the strike "illegal", and expressed a belief that many faculty members have never approved of the strike "but have been subjected to extreme peer pressure and outside professional unionists not to return to their classrooms."

The letter invited the full-time teachers to return to their classrooms, then added:

"...we want to leave no doubt that the Lake Michigan college board of trustees is firm in its commitment to continue education at Lake Michigan college, and if it should become necessary to terminate any present staff members who fail to return to work when ordered by the board, those staff members will not be reinstated by the college."

The trustees are scheduled to

hold their regular monthly meeting tonight at 7:30 on the campus.

Shaffer said the LMC Federation of Teachers sent its proposal for binding ar-

bitration to the trustees this morning "urging the trustees to enter into binding arbitration in order to reach a settlement and to minimize further damage to the educational programs of LMC students."

"The alternatives to binding arbitration, which may range from a sustained strike of several more weeks to a completely lost and disrupted semester, all may cause irreparable damage to the educational careers of the LMC student body. Both sides should work to avoid any more discomfort and inconvenience to our students. For this reason we are suggesting binding arbitration."

Shaffer said the unresolved issues between the union and board are few in number and that it should not take an arbitrator long to come to a decision. He suggested the faculty would return to work while the arbitrator was studying the issues.

Dr. Walter Browe, LMC executive vice president, said he received a copy of the faculty proposal but that the trustees had not received copies yet.

Dr. Browe noted that compulsory arbitration had been suggested by the faculty during earlier bargaining sessions and that the board had declined the idea. He said the board at that time cited the opinion of American Arbitration Association President Robert Coulson, that "compulsory arbitration, if freely available, makes it far too easy for elected officials to abandon their responsibilities."

Dr. Browe also reported this morning that the board and faculty bargaining teams are scheduled to meet with State Mediator Robert Mason at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the county courthouse.



MISS GOBLES 1973: Ellen Shepard, a Gobles high school senior, was named Miss Gobles 1973 Saturday night in first of area community Blossom queen contests slated for 1973 Blossom festival. She was chosen from among 10 contestants. Story on page 14. (Staff photo)



SWIGGING SWINGERS: The United States won top prize in the ice sculpture contest at the Quebec Carnival Sunday with this cartoon depiction of President Nixon and Prime Minister Trudeau solving their differences

over a cold one. Members of the winning team which competed against other from Quebec, France and Japan are Russ Pleager, Jeff Dennis and Bob Clunie. (CP Wirephoto)

Bears, Tigers Vie In Cage Tourney

Benton Harbor and St. Joseph will square off for the second time this season in the opening game of the Class A district basketball tournament at Benton Harbor March 6.

It will be the first district encounter in three years for the cross-river rivals, although they did meet earlier this season in the St. Joseph Christmas tournament, with the Bears winning 73-71.

The other two teams in the district — Niles and Holland — will also be playing for the second time this year when they meet in the other first-round game Wednesday, March 7.

The two winners will play Friday for the district championship won by Benton Harbor last year.

All games will start at 7:30 p.m.

CLASS B At Lakeshore

Highly-ranked Dowagiac drew a bye and host Lakeshore drew a little luck in the Class B district tournament next week.

Dowagiac, the state's fourth-ranked Class B team, will open tournament play on Wednesday, night March 7, against the winner of Monday's Brandywine-River Valley game with the winner advancing to the district finals on Saturday March 10.

In the other bracket, Lakeshore opens play against Edwardsburg with the winner to meet Buchanan on Thursday, March 8. Lakeshore has beaten Edwardsburg and Buchanan two times each this season, but has lost once to each of the other three teams.

All games will start at 7:30 p.m.

CLASS C At Watervliet

Bangor and Eau Claire will kick off the Class C district

tournament at Watervliet in a 7:30 p.m. game next Monday. Host Watervliet will meet Lake Michigan Catholic at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, in the first game of a doubleheader that will match Hartford and Berrien Springs in the night-

cap. The Bangor-Eau Claire winner will play New Buffalo in one semifinal game at 7:30 Wednesday while the Tuesday winners will clash in the other semifinal on Thursday at 7:30. The championship game will

be played Saturday at 7:30.

CLASS C At Portage Northern

Decatur will be matched

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MOB ATTACKS NORTH VIETNAMESE OFFICER: South Vietnamese, wearing white shirts at left, attack a fleeing North Vietnamese officer, far right, at the Joint Military Commission (JMC) compound in Hue Sunday,

wounding the North Vietnamese in the head. In center and at foreground right two U.S. officers try to stop the attack. Note object in center being thrown at North Vietnamese. (AP Wirephoto)

Hanoi Promises To Probe Fate Of 1,300 Americans

NEW YORK (AP) — Presidential adviser Henry A. Kissinger says North Vietnam has promised "a full investigation" into the fates of some 1,300 Americans who are still unaccounted for in Vietnam.

"Now, I must say that I cannot really believe that the North Vietnamese would hide prisoners on us," Kissinger said in an interview broadcast Sunday night by the National Broadcasting Co.

Kissinger said that while he

was in Hanoi, he presented a U.S. analysis of the missing in action, "particularly where we had some evidence that a flier had parachuted ... or where we had collateral evidence that a person might have been taken prisoner."

Kissinger, President Nixon's chief adviser on national security, told NBC correspondent Barbara Walters, "North Vietnam will never relinquish its desire to take over South Vietnam." But that is not the issue,

he added. "The issue is will they want to unify Vietnam by force or are they willing to rely on an evolutionary process," Kissinger said. He said he thought the North Vietnamese were considering a "peaceful revolution" for the first time in their history and in their lives.

He said the United States was not opposed to unification through peaceful, political means. "If the performance on one part or the other is so

clearly superior to that of the other that it tends to achieve moral superiority over the other, that is not an American concern," he said.

The wide ranging interview also touched on Kissinger's working relationship with the President. First, he said reports of a strain in their relationship during the last stages of the peace negotiations were unfounded. Then he provided a

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White House Might Relax 5.5% Ceiling On Pay Hikes

WASHINGTON (AP) — A flexible standard for wage increases in new labor contracts will replace the government's 5.5-per-cent guideline left over from Phase 2 controls, sources say.

The move to a flexible standard, described as "very carefully worded," was expected to be confirmed by the White House today.

It is seen as a Nixon administration concession to labor since several major labor contracts will be negotiated this year.

AFL-CIO President George Meany has said he favors a new

wage-increase standard of about 7.5 per cent, or even as high as 8 per cent. The flexible standard will not aim for fixed increases.

However, sources said the 5.5-per-cent guideline is not being forgotten altogether and indicated it could be restored later if conditions permit.

A major factor behind the change now is the big rise in food prices in recent months.

A high administration source said Sunday the new flexibility for wage increases will make it possible for workers to regain the purchasing power lost because of the increase in food

costs. The administration also is expected to name a committee of union and business leaders to monitor the food-price situation.

The 5.5-per-cent wage standard has been in effect since November 1971 when it was adopted as part of the Phase 2 wage-price-control program. An additional 0.7-per-cent increase was allowable annually for fringe benefits.

A Phase 3 labor-management advisory committee helped the administration devise the new standard, along with the administration.

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Editorial Page

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Ohio Finally Wins The Border War Over Michigan --

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled Ohio has the better claim to the Toledo Strip than does Michigan, thus settling a rivalry twice as old as the Michigan-Ohio State confrontation on the football field.

The Strip is not really a strip. It's a pie shaped segment in Lake Erie extending off the land boundaries between the two states. The wedge, measuring 206 square miles, is thought to contain valuable underwater mineral deposits.

The argument traces back into the early 19th century when Ohio was admitted into the Union.

Congress drew such a poor map delineating the boundary between the new state and the Michigan Territory that for a long time nobody knew if Toledo was in Ohio or in Michigan.

A group of Michigan vigilantes fired upon an Ohio surveying team on April 25, 1835, suspecting the Buckeyes might be nudging the boundary farther north than it should be.

The incident touched off the "Toledo war." It was a noisy but bloodless affair of musket firing from both sides and plenty of impassioned oratory. No casualties

whatever.

Congress settled the squabble by awarding Toledo to Ohio and to placate the Wolverines' wounded feelings took the Upper Peninsula away from the Wisconsin and gave it to Michigan.

The second survey, however, angled the landside border upward 45 degrees into Lake Erie.

Though the extension continued the discomfiture for a while eventually it was forgotten and did not revive until fairly recent soundings indicate the area formed by that angled survey may hold substantial oil and natural gas deposits.

Frank Kelley, Michigan's Attorney General, has been in federal court nearly 10 years disputing Ohio's claim to this watery wedge.

Last week the Supreme Court sustained lower court rulings that Ohio indeed owns the wedge.

It's tough but that's the way things go at times.

Maybe Bo Schembechler can take it back, metaphorically speaking, from Woody Hayes this fall.

Ghoulish Politics In France

Grave robbing is one of the oldest of avocations and except when dignified as archeological research, one of the most depraved.

The motives for disturbing the dead usually are revenge for a fancied wrong, selling the remains to laboratories, theft of suspected valuables, and even ransom.

Last week the French people pondered a more bizarre exercise in the repugnant practice.

A group of right wing extremists removed the corpse of Marshal Henri-Philippe Petain from its burial plot on the Ile d'Yeu, a tiny Atlantic island and took it to the mainland for the announced purpose of reburial in the military

cemetery at Douaumont.

Agents from the Pompidou government discovered the conspirators and their ransom, and four days later had returned the remains to Ile d'Yeu.

This repulsive tour relates to France's general election coming up next month in which the Pompidou government has its existence on the line; and it reaches deep into the controversial roots of the country's experience in World War II.

Petaun received wide acclaim in World War I as the defender of Verdun, a heavily fortified area which the German army had selected as a breakthrough point. The German strategy banked on getting past the immobile artillery in Verdun's fixed fortifications, after which its army could sweep through to the Atlantic and knock France out of the war.

Petaun thwarted the maneuver in one of history's bloodiest engagements. The casualties on both sides ran into the hundreds of thousands.

Petaun remained in the service and had risen to the army's top command by the time World War II opened.

Hitler's troops mastered the defensive strategy by which the marshal had beaten them a generation before and quickly overran any barrier of military significance within the country.

Hitler stopped them short of complete occupation of France, settling instead for a theoretically independent French sector in the southern part of France. Vichy was named as its capital and Petaun was installed as chief of state.

The Nazis broke the agreement after the French fleet left its moorings at Marseilles and Toulon to go over to the Allies who had landed in North Africa. They held Petaun in protective custody.

Following the war a French military tribunal tried Petaun for collaborating with the enemy and banished him to Ile d'Yeu where he died over 20 years ago.

The government forbade his wish to be buried at Douaumont. This village was in the thick of the Verdun siege, and its military cemetery contains the bodies of 16,500 French soldiers who died in the engagement.

France's right wing people adopted Petaun as a symbol of left wing double crossing. They have published innumerable writings to the effect that far from collaborating with the Nazis, Petaun negotiated a lease upon life for his country. Certain it is that the existence of a Vichy regime gave the French navy the time to keep itself from slipping into Hitler's hands.

Last week's effort to force Petaun's dying wish for a burial with military honors was an exercise to put Pompidou in a spot.

We go through many a peculiar gyration in American politics, but this kidnapping of a corpse has to top our best capers.

"But Don't Get Any Other Ideas!"



Ray Cromley

U.S. Industry Lacks Initiative



WASHINGTON (NEA) — From firsthand experience this writer can testify as to what some foreign businessmen think of the dollar crisis and the U.S. unfavorable balance of trade.

A while back, a friend who is president of one of Japan's largest spinning firms said that in a visit to the United States he had been offered the chance to buy, at a very reasonable price, one of this country's major textile companies. But he turned the deal down. The mills were obsolete, he said, and labor-management relations poor.

Yet the science and technology is at hand to improve the textile mills.

Another friend, this one an engineer for one of the nation's major equipment producing companies, some time back made a survey of major mills in selected areas of the country. He was able to suggest, off-hand, production improvements which would increase output by 10, 15 and in some cases 20 per cent with very minor new investment. With major capital input and imaginative new production methods these firms could have cut operating costs sharply.

The problem here was not the lack of technology, or that the technology was hidden in some back drawer. The problem was a lack of initiative.

A German remarked the other day that if Detroit would

only wake up, use its imagination, it could produce cars that would capture a considerable share of the world market. Detroit has the technical know-how, this German said, but not the imagination or the will.

Note that in the two cases mentioned, the major problem is not cheap foreign labor. It is not foreign technical superiority in the laboratory. It is management—management which has abdicated its responsibility for innovation.

This reporter remembers interviews with Detroit auto makers over the years in which they jeered at the concept of small cars. Who would want a small car, they said, when he could buy a bigger one? The answer, of course, is thousands of Americans and thousands of Asians, Europeans and Latins.

We have in this country thousands of plants which are the envy of the world. But almost side by side are thousands more which are obsolete, which turn out goods at high cost. And in too many cases these goods do not meet the tastes or the needs of sizable segments of the American and foreign markets.

We frequently buy not what we want but what is available, then spend much of our time having it repaired or altered. And in too many instances the inefficient drive up the costs of the well managed.

Marianne Means

Lots Of Things No Longer Sinful



WASHINGTON — The passage of no-fault auto accident legislation in New York State was the latest evidence of a rapidly accelerating national trend to get law and the government out of the morality business.

Under New York's no-fault concept, judges will no longer fix public blame for negligence to collect damages in accident cases in which no one is seriously injured. Six states now have similar legislation, ten more are considering it, and Congress may hold hearings this year on a Federal measure.

This is in keeping with the gradual withdrawal of many states from other areas of individual private conduct in which they have previously made moral judgments. For example, laws have been relaxed in many states so that couples may divorce on grounds of separation without requiring the courts to pin fault for bad behavior on one of the pair. A national no-fault divorce law, which would establish "irreconcilable differences" as the only grounds for ending a marriage, is pending in Congress. It is

patterned after California's no-fault system, which permits divorce even in cases where one spouse has not consented.

And gambling, once widely outlawed as sinful, is now not only legal in some states but a welcome form of revenue. Eight states have established lotteries. Horse racing is operating in 30 states. Casino gambling is big in Nevada and under study in two other states. Off-track, pari-mutuel betting is legal in several New York cities and being considered for five other states.

The Supreme Court recently showed the states further in this direction by ruling that it was none of their business if a woman wished to get an abortion in the first three months of a pregnancy and that they could only meddle for the next three months if they did so to protect her health.

The courts and Federal and state governments may also be moving toward less regulation of acts of consent in private by individuals, as long as those acts do not injure other persons or society as a whole. This is a highly controversial area and a dramatic liberalization of present attitudes is not likely to happen today or tomorrow.

But the courts are heavy with fundamental cases about obscenity that question whether the government has the right to legislate moral standards for individual behavior. Legal experts predict that in many of these cases the courts will find that pornography cannot be forbidden if it is not imposed upon adults who do not wish to see it and if it is kept away from children.

And there are increasing public pressures for a relaxation of laws affecting homosexuality, prostitution, and the smoking of marijuana. The National Organization for Women passed a resolution last week calling for repeal of all laws that make prostitution a criminal offense, on the grounds that they passed judgment upon women prostitutes while ignoring the essential participation of men.

RECOVERING
LIMA (AP) — Peruvian President Juan Velasco has responded well to treatment following emergency surgery for a ruptured aneurysm on an abdominal aorta, hospital spokesmen said Sunday.

GLANCING BACKWARDS

SI PLANNERS FOR ANNEX

— 1 Year Ago —

St. Joseph Planning commission yesterday emphasized its recommendation that the City of St. Joseph attempt to annex two parcels of land in St. Joseph township with a formal resolution.

The sections of the township the planners urge the city to annex, under a new annexation law, includes an irregular section bounded by St. Joseph drive, South State street, Hilltop road and a ravine. The other parcel is a square plot on the northeast corner of Cleveland avenue and Hilltop road and includes Gard school and the St. Joseph branch of First Federal Savings and Loan of Niles.

\$2 MILLION DEAL FOR NEW SPANS

— 10 Years Ago —

A Berrien County Bridge authority may be set up by the

county board of supervisors to facilitate construction of four bridges costing more than \$2 million.

The authority would be similar to the seven-man county building authority established by the board last year for construction of the new \$3 million courthouse, according to Benton Township supervisor Martin Lane. The bridge authority is being given prime consideration by the board's Roads and Bridges committee, chaired by Lane. It will be given legal scrutiny by county prosecutor Ronald H. Lange and road commission engineer-manager Heath Calvin at a committee meeting March 7.

CRUSH PLANE CENTER AT AUGSBURG

— 29 Years Ago —

A massive fleet of British bombers carried out a crushing attack on the burning city of Augsburg last night, and piled

up a total of more than 17,000 tons of bombs dropped on Germany in an unparalleled six-day offensive against the Reich's aircraft industry.

The German radio said large-scale attacks on the Chemical center of Frankfurt were made at the same time, and the Swiss radio said night flights crossed Switzerland from Italy — raising the distinct possibility that Italian-based Wellingtons of the RAF again carried out a two-way British assault as they did the night before.

ANNOUNCE CAST

— 39 Years Ago —

New Troy students who have leading parts in the Irish opera to be presented in March are Virginia O'Donnahue, Chester Reich, Arthur Gardiner, Marjorie Stearns, Claire McGuigan, Aletha Carlson and Lucille Coffey.

NEW BOOKKEEPER

— 49 Years Ago —

Miss Lydia Kowalski, who was formerly employed at the office of the Cooper-Wells company, has accepted a position as bookkeeper at the Richter & Achterberg hardware store.

HONOR NEWLYWEDS

— 59 Years Ago —

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Evans of Hinchman entertained 90 guests at a reception to honor their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mitchell, whose marriage was recently disclosed. The affair was held at the Woodman hall, decorated for the occasion with rugs, ferns and plants.

ONE COMPLETED

— 83 Years Ago —

The Sand Brick company has completed one of its new buildings and is getting lumber on the ground for another one. Their works will be quite extensive.

BERRY'S WORLD



"Now that I have explained what the devaluation of the dollar is all about, let's both have a martini and try to forget it!"

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NEWSPAPERS AS TEXTBOOKS: "Newspaper in the Classroom" is the topic for an in-service day Wednesday for teachers of the Lakeshore school district. Discussing program, from left, are Mrs. Carol Campbell, president of the Lakeshore Education association; Leslie Collins, principal of Stevensville elementary

school; Charles Bowie circulation manager of The News-Palladium and The Herald-Press; and Mrs. Sue Neuman, an elementary teacher. The in-service day is sponsored by Lakeshore public schools, Lakeshore Education association and the newspapers. (Staff photo).

At Lakeshore

Newspaper Is Teaching Tool In-Service Topic

"Newspaper in the Classroom" an in-service day for teachers of the Lakeshore school district will be held Wednesday at Lakeshore high school.

The program is being sponsored by the Lakeshore public schools, Lakeshore Education association, The News-Palladium and The Herald-Press.

Mrs. Carol Campbell, a junior high teacher and committee chairman for the in-service day, said the program is the first of its kind in this area and possibly the state. The

purpose is to encourage teachers to use the newspaper as a teaching tool.

There will be no classes in the Lakeshore district Wednesday as some 170 teachers attend the day-long event. About a dozen teachers from other districts also have been invited.

Willard J. Banyon, publisher of The News-Palladium and The Herald-Press will deliver opening remarks at 9 a.m.

Mrs. Campbell will then introduce guest speakers, Mrs. Hope Shackelford, an English teacher from Mead junior high school, Wichita, Kan., and Dr.

Richard Newton, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction, Temple university Philadelphia. Both are considered experts at applying the newspaper to classroom purposes.

Group meetings will then be conducted on the use of the newspaper as a teaching tool in various subject areas.

Luncheon at noon will feature a question and answer session with William Fisher, production manager of the Palladium Publishing Co., and Jim DeLand, sports editor. Mrs. Shackelford and Dr.

Newton will conduct group meetings in the afternoon.

For the past 10 years, The News-Palladium and The Herald Press have sponsored a visual education program in area schools. Film strips, teacher guides and student discussion pamphlets are prepared by Visual Education Consultants, Inc., of Madison, Wis., for distribution in the program that covers 105 schools in Allegan, Van Buren, Cass and Berrien counties.

Participating schools also are offered a teaching kit and individual copies of either The Herald-Press or Palladium for two or three weeks of newspaper in the classroom study. Eighty-two classrooms in 51 schools have used this program so far this year.

Credit Union Reports

Berrien Graphic Arts Credit Union made significant gains in 1972. President James Basselman said, except in the field of membership.

Basselmann said the 545 members recorded at the end of the year was only a gain of ten. He said the credit union needed to launch an intensive membership drive.

Financial reports showed assets at \$204,859; share savings by members \$151,375; income of \$19,910; loans to members during year amounting to \$230,405 and amount loaned to members since organization, \$1,158,796.

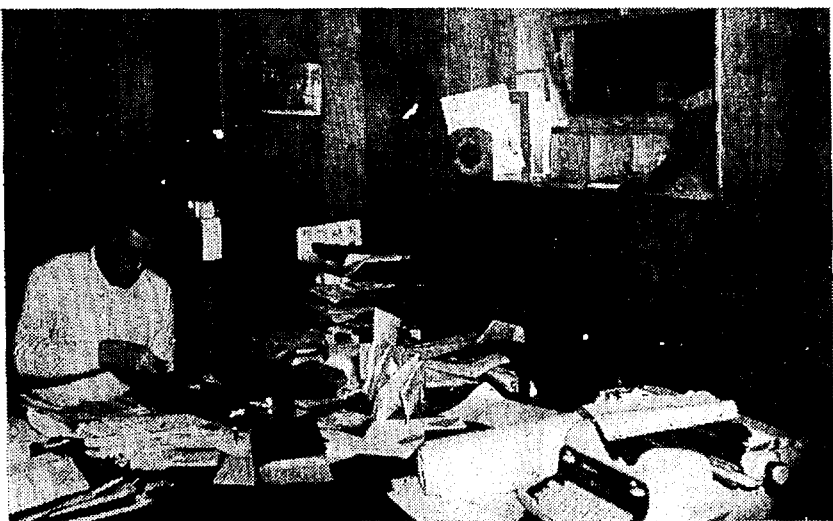
Basselmann was re-elected president. He is editor of American Society of Agricultural Engineers publications. Others re-elected were Charles Baugher, A&R Roe, vice president; and Robert Russ, Imperial Printing, treasurer.

Elected to the board was Andrew Baldwin of Potlatch Forests.

Elected to the credit committee was Jack Reed of Potlatch Forests and re-elected were James Rice, Hi-Speed Business Forms; and Ron Heyn, commercial artist. Toby Goldstein, Blossomland Container, was re-elected to the supervisory committee.

The credit union held its 12th annual meeting at the St. Joseph Elks dining room.

police department during contract negotiations, and who is now planning to relocate the store in St. Joseph, exclaimed Saturday, "Thank God for Benton Harbor police."



SORTING THINGS OUT: Benton Harbor Clothier Richard Hennes takes informal inventory Saturday night, after burglar broke in through window, above, and ransacked office of the Hennes Co., 136 Pipestone street. Nothing was reported stolen. (Staff photo)

Young Citizens Help BH Police Thwart Burglary

Benton Harbor police and three young citizens teamed up Saturday night, and an attempt to burglarize the Hennes Co., clothing store at 136 Pipestone street, was blocked with the arrest of a youth found crouching in the basement.

Arrested and booked for breaking and entering was Luther Joseph, Jr., 17, of 572 Territorial road, apartment 1, Benton Harbor.

Police records show that Joseph was charged last Dec. 6, for armed robbery at the Milner hotel and was free on \$5,000 bond, set in Fifth District court. The night clerk at the hotel was reported robbed at knifepoint of about \$85.

Citizen action Saturday began about 9 p.m., when three boys, aged 13 to 15, saw a window being smashed. The boys ran to the nearby "One Way House", on Wall street a meeting place for youths street for help, and police were summoned.

The police department asked that the names of the three



LUTHER JOSEPH, JR.
Arrested

boys not be published, for their safety.

Officers arrived before anything could be stolen and said evidence showed the intruder was seeking money in an office at the back of the store.

Entrance was gained by breaking the office window from an alley that runs between Wall and Main streets.

Responding officers quickly posted themselves at the front and rear of the store, while Richard Hennes, president of

the Hennes Co., was called to open the door.

Inside, officers found damage in the customer portion of the store, where tiles of a suspended ceiling were pulled down near a fitting room, and a chair in the fitting room was smashed.

Officers said it appeared that the intruder tried to conceal himself above the tiles, but fell, pulling down the tiles and breaking the chair in the fall.

Officers said the office was ransacked, and several items were broken, apparently during the entry.

The youth found in the basement had sustained several cuts and scratches, police said.

Patrolman Charles Harrison received cuts about the hand while investigating broken glass. Harrison arrived at the store with Patrolman James Little and Sgt. Harry Lenardson. They were joined by other officers in patrol cars.

Hennes, who once represented the Benton Harbor

Future Looks Green In Pat's Retirement

McMullen Recalls SJ History

By DICK DERRICK
City Editor

Pat James is retiring March 1 but St. Joseph's No. 1 Irishman has no intentions of taking it easy.

He's carting so much of Theisen Clemens Oil Company's early history to his Irish Hills home he will have something to do indefinitely.

His 40 years with Theisen Clemens and with Cities Service Oil Co. spans one of the most significant periods in the region's petroleum history. It covers the era of the start and development of water borne petroleum delivery.

McMullen, 65, is ideally equipped to preserve the water borne segment of Midwest oil history. He was in on its birth, helped it develop and has seen it eclipsed by the trend to pipelines.

In addition McMullen has one of those photographic memories honed to a keen edge by years as a salesman and meeting the public.

McMullen plans to keep intact the materials of the early development of Theisen Clemens that would have no interest to anyone but historians. He plans to catalog the thousands of pictures and sort out the interesting and noteworthy papers. He expects for every memo saved he will have to examine four or five items, maybe more.

McMullen was the main-spring in making J. J. Theisen's dream of plenty of petroleum products available the year around a reality. Theisen saw the possibility of using tankers to move gasoline and fuel oil during the shipping season to tank farms that would store it until peak demand times.

Theisen tapped McMullen to be liaison man between the company and the tank farm builders. The site selected, the generally uninhabited Industrial island, was convenient across Morrison channel to the Theisen Clemens headquarters. Pipelines from the tank storage farm run under Morrison channel to truck filling facilities at company headquarters.

Originally the tankers were scheduled to pull into Morrison channel to discharge their cargoes but it was discovered the bridge over Morrison channel would not open. It was originally built as a swing bridge.

The oil dock was eventually placed at the west tip of Industrial island by Ireland and Lester property. Underground pipes were laid to



MAYOR OF IRISH HILLS: Hizzonnor, the mayor of Irish Hills, was the name Patrick J. McMullen acquired when he developed subdivision out of original Murphy farm. When McMullen discovered there was no street in St. Joseph called St. Joseph he named the street in front of his house "St. Joseph Drive." He is shown in front of his home. (Staff Photo)

the dozen or so tanks on Industrial avenue.

McMullen was born in Chicago, the son of Patrick J. McMullen and Nellie Murphy, on Feb. 19, 1908. His father died when he was three years old. His mother, of a pioneer St. Joseph family, moved back to St. Joseph with her young son and a daughter, Virginia, just three months old. They lived in the Murphy family homestead on Niles avenue about where the Southtown shopping center is located.

Pat went to St. Joseph Catholic elementary school and graduated from St. Joseph High school in 1927. He worked through his school years. He swept out Rimes & Hildebrand store before going to school in the morning and would run

errands in the afternoon. From that job he graduated to a clerk and handy man at Burkhard's general store located on Ship street across from the Peoples State Bank of St. Joseph.

His first full time job was with Henry Garlanger Construction Co. of St. Joseph and it was there he got his carpenter's apprentice card. It was at Garlanger's that J. J. Theisen found McMullen and hired the 25-year-old Irishman to serve as the go-between between Theisen Clemens and the Chicago company that was to build the storage tanks. McMullen started work for Theisen Clemens Feb. 21, 1933. On May 22 of that year the first tanker arrived loaded with gasoline.

McMullen moved up in the

Theisen Clemens organization. He helped build tank facilities at Detroit, Bay City, Charlevoix, Sault Ste. Marie and Kipling near Gladstone. He became sales manager and eventually vice president in charge of sales and his territory was all of Michigan and his travels ranged across the nation.

Theisen Clemens became one of the largest petroleum jobbers in the nation, a tribute to the foresight of its founder. A June, 1941 edition of the National Geographic Magazine used a picture of one of the Theisen Clemens tank farms in an in-depth story about oil. National Petroleum News on its 50th anniversary called Theisen Clemens Co. "one of the oldest — as well as one of the biggest jobberships operating anywhere."

Theisen Clemens handled Dixie gas in the early 1930's and McMullen remembers the slogan: "with power to pass." Subsequently the company was a jobber and retailer for DX gas and in April, 1948 took on Cities Service brand-name gasoline.

On Oct. 1, 1967, Cities Service bought out Theisen Clemens and the following August McMullen was named "marketing coordinator" for an area from St. Joseph to the straits.

At Theisen Clemens, McMullen was able to branch (See back page, sec. 1, col. 3)

SJ Holding Kindergarten Roundup

St. Joseph school district parents with children who will be five years old by Dec. 1, 1973, are requested to contact the principal in the nearest elementary school by Friday, March 2, Phil Townsend, North Lincoln school principal, announced today.

Principals are in the process of compiling a list of prospective kindergarten pupils to facilitate planning for next year, Townsend said.

When parents contact the school, a letter giving the necessary registration instructions will be sent home. In accordance with St. Joseph School District policy, any child whose fifth birthday falls within Sept. 1 and Dec. 1 will be tested to help parents determine his readiness for school in the fall.



MULE TRAIN McMULLEN: Pat McMullen rescued the original tank wagon used by J. J. Theisen, founder of Theisen Clemens Oil Co. from destruction. He persuaded Andrew Sipla of Coloma to restore it. Sipla

obtained a team of mules to pull the wagon at festivals and parades. Tank holds only 330 gallons, less than most home fuel oil tanks. (Staff photo)

'No Comment' Stand By State Democratic Leader Backfires

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Michigan's Democratic party, which is trying to heal the wounds of last year's defeats by holding closed-door negotiations, has found the news media will not be a partner to secret talks.

An attempt to stifle newsmen and keep answers from them backfired last week.

Novice state chairman Morley Winograd became incensed when journalists would not go along with his plans. So, he repeatedly said "no comment" to honest questions about party dissent and then tore up a newsmen's notes.

Instead of quelling controversy, the 30-year-old Troy resident made news.

This is what astounded newsmen: Winograd tried to hold an off-the-record news conference in the State Capitol, reportedly to inform newsmen he would not comment on dissent or issues unless the party took a formal stand. But he never got a chance to hold that conference.

Winograd may not be solely responsible for his "no comment" stand and the resulting attitudes held by newsmen.

There are continuing reports some Democratic leaders imposed a muzzle on Winograd in return for supporting him as chairman.

Winograd, who worked for his father in the clothing business, has been hailed for his so-called brilliance in getting Oakland County party factions to work together. He was, prior to his election as state chairman, head of the county's Democrats.

His attitude of "no comment" is in marked contrast to the styles of his immediate predecessors, James McNeely and Sander Levin. Both were Oakland County Democratic leaders as well as state chairmen.

After Levin became chairman during the era of President Lyndon Johnson he announced he would tolerate all viewpoints and welcome open discussion of problems.

And McNeely often was frank with newsmen.

What set Winograd off was a series of charges by a black Democratic leader that a labor official had made "racist" statements.

Winograd was asked about comments by State Rep. David S. Holmes Jr., chairman of the Michigan Democratic Black Caucus, against William Marshall, head of the state AFL-CIO. Holmes sent a letter to Winograd Feb. 13.

Holmes claimed Marshall said he was tired of the United Auto Workers and the "black caucus charting a course of the Democratic party."

Winograd had strong support from the UAW and black leaders in his chairmanship drive.

Both groups were active supporters of George McGovern's unsuccessful presidential campaign.



COLOMA MEDICAL CENTER: An \$80,000 octagonal-shaped medical center off Red Arrow highway, Coloma, opens Thursday, March 1. It will house offices of Drs. Rolando and Amelia Fajardo and Dr. Ross

Gonzales. Center will be open five and a half days a week, closed all day Sunday, according to Dr. Rolando Fajardo. A grand opening of center is slated for later this year. (Cliff Stevens photo)

Port Fund Drive Nearing Goal At New Buffalo

NEW BUFFALO — The city of New Buffalo has moved to within \$13,000 of its goal to get the proposed \$2.4 million small craft harbor project for the mouth of the Galien river here moving again.

Pledges totaling \$52,000 had been received as of Sunday, according to Joseph Debiak, co-chairman of the city's ad hoc harbor committee.

The city is in need of \$65,000 to finance cost of a condemnation suit to acquire the final easement for the project. Deadline for the drive is March 15.

To raise the necessary funds, the city council and harbor committee have launched a public appeal for contributions from boat owners, persons living in the Galien river watershed, and other interested parties.

A major portion of the \$52,000 has come from the city council which has committed up to \$30,000 of the city's 1972 federal revenue sharing funds to the project. The rest has come from outside sources.

Mayor William Marx said the city has opened a special bank account to handle contributions. Donations may be made by mail or in person at city hall, or to Richard Graf, secretary-treasurer of harbor committee, 1216 Water street. Checks should be made payable to the City of New Buffalo Harbor Fund.

Through the courts, the city is seeking to obtain perpetual channel and access easements across land reaching into the harbor and also purchase 2.6 acres bordering on Whittaker and Water streets and the river. The property formerly was owned by Louis Sima.

Debiak said the land is needed for construction of 20 slips for water craft and to provide public access to the harbor. The slips are part of the city's obligation in the harbor project.

Under the special condemnation procedure launched by the city, the Army Corps of Engineers can take immediate possession in the public interest, with litigation to determine value of the land and easement rights to be held afterward, said Debiak. This would allow the Corps to let bids next month, so the project could be started this summer.

The harbor has long been sought by boat owners and farmers in the watershed area.

Wave action in Lake Michigan continually clogs the river's mouth with sand, causing flooding upstream and hazardous navigation.

Spokesmen for farmers and other property owners upstream expressed optimism that one major source of flooding will be eliminated with completion of the harbor project.

Mrs. Duane Best, who lives in the New Troy area, said the harbor should take care of the problem. Her husband and other parties expressed concern last summer that nothing was being done on the harbor, and voiced fears that federal funding would run out.

Dennie Best, Kruger road, Three Oaks, said the harbor should be a big help. "There's got to be some place for the water to go. If it can't get out into the lake, it just keeps backing up."

Tom Sexton, president of New Buffalo Rod and Gun club, said the problem of flooding



GORDON W. REED
Accident victim

was two fold — high level of the lake and clogging of the river's mouth. He expressed hope that now the club could go ahead with plans to develop its property along the river.

Soil conservationists admit clogging at New Buffalo is a factor in flooding, but add there are other problems in the watershed.

A companion solution with the harbor is being sought through creation of a watershed project.

John L. Okay, watershed planning leader, Soil Conservation service, said an application has been filed and the state Soil Conservation service is scheduled to begin a preliminary study of the watershed early this year.

Ex-Sheriff Arrested

INDIAN RIVER, Mich. (AP) — Former Washtenaw County Sheriff Douglas Harvey has been arrested for being drunk and disorderly, police said.

Harvey was arrested Saturday night by police in Cheboygan County's Tuscarora Township who said the former lawman, freed on \$100 bail Sunday after a night in jail, ran his car off the road and into a ditch.

Rural Fennville Man Killed, 2 Hurt In Crash

FENNVILLE — A rural Fennville man was killed and a man and wife injured in a head-on two-car collision on M-89 east of here Saturday night, Allegan sheriff's deputies reported.

Pronounced dead on arrival at Allegan General hospital was Gordon Wayne Reed, 28, route 3, M-89. Reed lived about five miles west of the accident site.

Hospitalized as a result of the accident were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hartsuiker, also route 3, Fennville.

Mrs. Hartsuiker, 40, was listed in serious condition this morning and Hartsuiker, 43, in fair condition, both at Bronson hospital, Kalamazoo.

According to Allegan deputies, the crash occurred about one and a half miles west of M-140, at about 7:50 p.m. They said the Reed car was

Florida. Survivors include his wife, Linda, and his daughter, Kimberly Ann, both of Leachville, Ark.; his father, G. W. Reed of Fennville; his mother, Mrs. Prebble L. Dickens of St. Louis, Mo.

Funeral services are scheduled to be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Chappel funeral home, Fennville, with the Rev. A. E. Vold officiating. Burial will be in Fennville cemetery.

Snowmobile Accident Kills Three

EAST JORDAN, Mich. (AP) — Three Boyne City residents drowned over the weekend when two snowmobiles crashed through the ice of Lake Charlevoix, Charlevoix County sheriff's deputies reported.

The victims of the Saturday mishap were identified as Richard Yentz, 35; his wife, Marie, 33, and James Curtis, 7.

Two Yentz children, Haus, 9, and Carl, 7, were hospitalized in Charlevoix along with Lawrence and Vera Curtis, both 30, and their son, Kim, 9.

The incident occurred just off the East Jordan city dock near the mouth of the Jordan River on the southern arm of Lake Charlevoix.

Authorities said East Jordan Patrolman Ken Downey and another man, Keith Danford, jumped into the icy water to save the five survivors.

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THE OTHER PLACE OPEN AGAIN: Completely rebuilt with a wall of barrels features "The Other Place," a store in the Village Square, Stevensville. The store interior was completely destroyed by fire last Dec. 6. New lighting and rustic shelving made from 60 barrels features interior. From left are Lynne Wurcz, Stevensville; Sharrie Chabitch, Baroda, office manager; and Linda Bansen, Stevensville. The store specializes in men's and boys' shirts, belts and pants. (Staff Photo)

Michigan Farmers Caught In Squeeze Play

LANSING (AP) — The Michigan Department of Agriculture is facing a two-pronged problem.

On one hand commercial interests and housing developments are gobbling up the state's farmland.

On the other hand, the push to grow more crops on less land is being threatened by cries for a

cleaner environment and that means fewer chemicals on the farm.

Observers of the farm industry long have contended the advances of technology more than offset the declines in the amount of farmland.

"But...society has shown an increasing disposition to assert constraints upon such technology," the MDA's director, B. Dale Ball, points out in his department's report entitled "Agricultural Land Requirements: A Projection to 2000 A.D."

The report contradicts the concept that technology will solve the riddle by leading to greater production on fewer acres.

Social constraints now being imposed:

—The prohibition of DDT and many other pesticides, while helpful to the environment, won't help to increase per acre yields on the limited amount of farmland left.

—The probable prohibition of a chemical, diethylstilbestrol, a synthetic hormone fed to beef cattle, would decrease the level of beef production.

The view espoused by the U.S. Department of Agriculture has been to use science to increase the yields per acre.

Ball says new technology will be discovered, but will be applied more selectively. "Other analysts and planners appear to rely heavily upon an assumption... that agricultural technology will continue to increase yields," the report points out.

The MDA "believes that such an assumption is unreasonable."

Other constraints, the report predicts, "will increasingly affect agricultural uses of plant nutrients, water for irrigation, farm drainage and flood control, energy, and disposition of wastes."

"The Michigan Department of Agriculture does not believe

that environmental concerns of paramount importance today will be considered unimportant in the future," the report concludes.

While Michigan undergoes a land squeeze for farming, the rest of the nation's "breadbasket" states are suffering from the same problem, Ball said last week.

"Wisconsin is losing land out of agriculture faster than Michigan," said Ball.

"Wisconsin is the main dairy state, and we can't assume Iowa and Illinois are going to keep on increasing their yields."

If yields per acre in those states don't go up, their ability to feed us is going to be limited."

Western states "had a lot of

land, but they're running out of water," MDA's director pointed out.

Michigan has about 6.5 million acres in food production "and we'll need eight million acres by the year 2000," Ball said.

Since 1940, there has been a two million acre drop in land for food production, the report

states.

The report's conclusion: Unless the trend is reversed, Michigan will have only 2.5 million acres in crop production by the year 2000.

Population projections for that year estimate 10.7 million will be living in the state, or about two million more people than live in the state now.

'Task Force' Will Guard School Costs

Representatives from among 14 Berrien and Cass county school districts met last week to organize a "Berrien-Cass Task Force" to explore means to keep school expenditures from escalating.

Mrs. James H. (Dorothy) Grove of Brandywine school district said the group named Ben Nye, a member of the Berrien Intermediate school district board, as chairman and herself as secretary.

The task force is the result of a Jan. 29 meeting in Watervliet,

sponsored by the Berrien County School Board association, where Oakland county residents reported on their "Task Force 28," which has been successful there in keeping stabilizing school expenditures, Mrs. Grove said.

The Berrien-Cass Task Force formed volunteer committees to do in-depth studies on common goals of education, master contracts and projecting future study areas for the group.

"When the committees

return their findings, it is hoped that the task force will be able to evaluate material and set up guidelines for use in member school districts," she said.

Ervin Kampe, a member of the Benton Harbor school board, is chairman of a committee to study basic salary and salary structure; Mrs. Grove chairs a committee to study fringe benefits; and Ed Stone of Berrien Springs heads a committee to project future goals and objectives for consideration.



WATERVLIET SIGN POSTED: This sign on M-140 near Hay's park in Watervliet has been cited by state highway department for violation of 1972 law regulating signs along state highways. Citation states sign should either be removed or brought into compliance with law within 60 days. According to highway department official, permit for sign has not been applied for, as required by law. Sign is one of two in area that have been posted. (Cliff Stevens photo)

Young Calf Killed By Gunshot

An investigation into the gunshot death of a yearling calf was investigated by Berrien sheriff's officers over the weekend.

The owner, James Harper, found the calf dead in his barn at Box 48 Hochberger road, Route 1, Eau Claire. Deputies said the calf died of a gunshot wound to the neck.

Harper told officers the calf was able to come and go freely between the barn and field, where the shooting may have occurred.